

Galloway Road Sidewalk and Future Cycling Connections

January 15, 2024



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We acknowledge the land we are on is the traditional territory of many nations, including the Mississaugas of the Credit, the Anishnabeg, the Chippewa, the Haudenosaunee and the Wendat peoples and is now home to many diverse First Nations, Inuit and Métis peoples. We also acknowledge that Toronto is covered by Treaty 13 with the Mississaugas of the Credit.

Agenda



- Welcome and Introductions (10 mins)
- Presentation (20 mins)
- Question and Answer (15 mins)
- Plan review and one on one discussions



Opening Remarks



Councillor Paul Ainslie City of Toronto, Ward 24 Scarborough-Guildwood





Purpose of this Event







To inform the community about the proposed **sidewalk and cycling connections** on Galloway Road

To provide an opportunity for the **public to ask questions** and provide feedback



Introductions



Project Team:

- Becky Katz, Transportation Services, Cycling and Pedestrian Projects
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Project Background | Council Direction

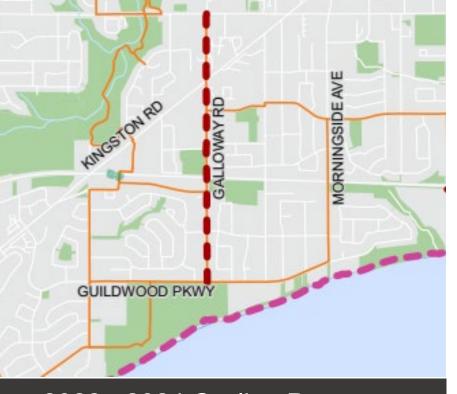
Item - <u>2021.IE25.19</u> was considered by Infrastructure and Environment Committee on October 26, 2021, and was adopted with amendments. The Infrastructure and Environment Committee:

- Requested the General Manager, Transportation Services, in consultation with any necessary City Divisions, to report back to the Infrastructure and Environment Committee, through the report "Cycling Network Plan Near-Term – Plan Update", expected at the December 2021 meeting, on plans to:
 - a. advance the upgrade of the Galloway Road Bike Lanes from the current signed bikeway to designated bike lanes;
 - b. explore the installation of green pedestrian infrastructure on Galloway Road; and
 - c. next steps for public community consultation with affected area residents of the Guildwood Village community, Scarborough-Guildwood.



Project Background | Cycling Connections

- Galloway Road between Lawrence Ave East and Guildwood Parkway is an existing on-street shared cycling connection.
- In the current Near-Term Implementation Program adopted for 2022-2024 Cycling Program Galloway Road was included to be studied for potential upgrade to its existing facility.
- The Guildwood neighbourhood currently has existing on-street shared cycling connections adjacent to Galloway Road on Sylvan Avenue, Livingston Road, Guildwood Parkway, Westlake Road and Morningside Avenue.
- Connection to Waterfront Trail at the south end of Galloway Road.



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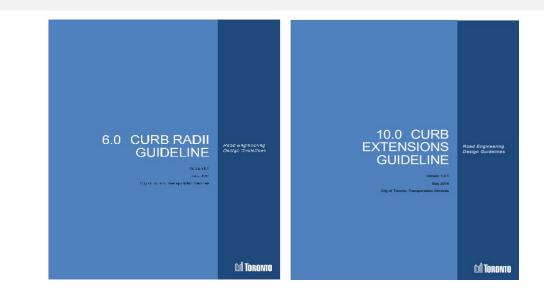
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Policies and Guidelines

The City has a number of policies and guidelines in place to improve the design of streets for all road users.

They focus on:

- Safety for all road users, particularly the most vulnerable
- Mobility for all ages
- Accessibility for everyone

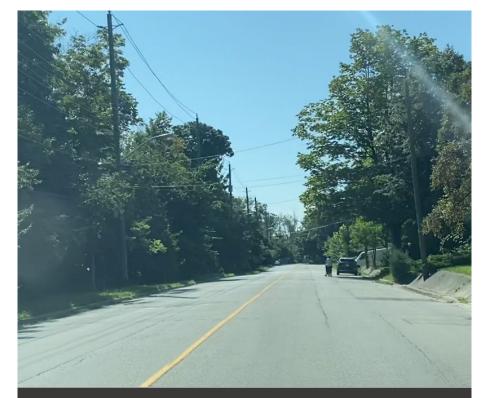






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- Sidewalks are a critical piece of infrastructure and provide a safe and accessible route for people to travel in the neighbourhood.
- City policy states that sidewalks should be built, where they are missing, on both sides of arterial and collector roads, and on one or both sides of local roads.
- Transportation Services reviews opportunities to install sidewalks on all roadway classifications through bundling with other state-of-good-repair roadway or utility work, as well as stand-alone delivery.

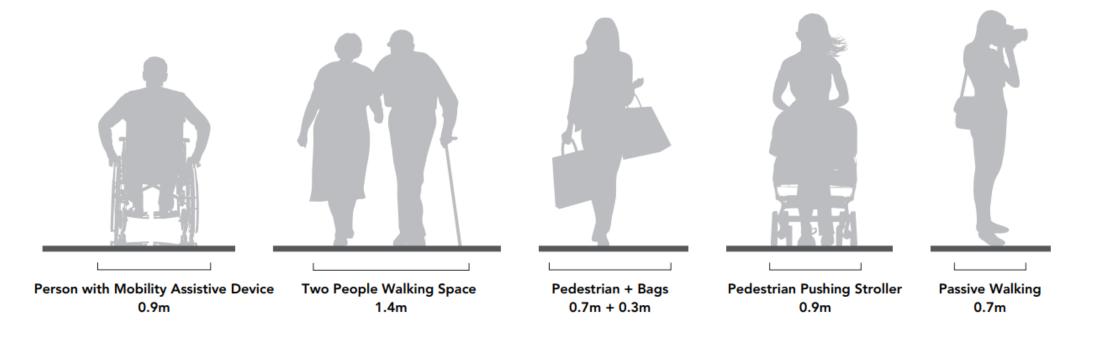


Galloway Road Existing Conditions



Policies and Guidelines

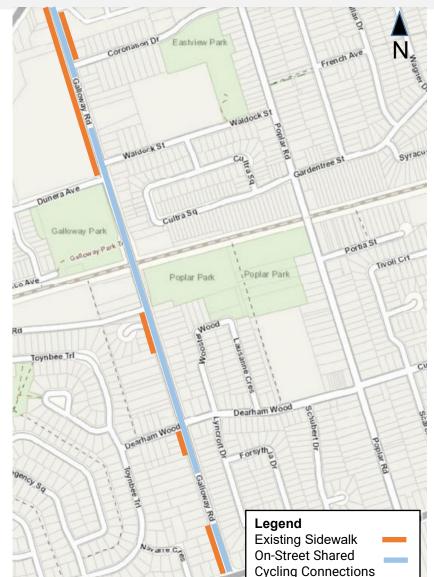
- The City of Toronto standard sidewalk width is 2.1m to accommodate two people in mobility assistive devices passing one another.
- The absolute minimum width for sidewalks for accessibility is 1.5m.



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Existing Conditions

- Segment length approximately 1.9km.
- Collector road classification.
- Existing road is approximately 12.8m wide with one lane of motor vehicle traffic in each direction.
- Various sidewalk connections including portion of road with sidewalks on both sides, one side, partial sidewalks and no sidewalks.
- Unsigned maximum three-hour parking limit currently exists on Galloway Road.
- Pavement quality index of the road is 35.8 and is in poor condition.
- Adjacent properties largely residential, parklands and schools.
- Train track crossing on road and near Guildwood GO station.

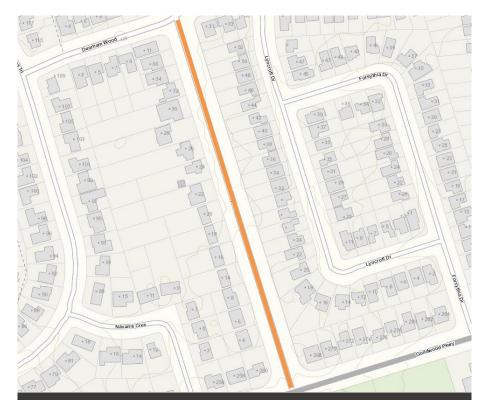






Design Options

- Transportation Services reviewed the feasibility of new sidewalks and bikeways on a portion of Galloway Road from Dearham Wood and Guildwood Parkway (350m).
- Feasibility review through a complete street approach including elements of traffic calming, green infrastructure, safety improvements and cycling infrastructure.
- Various design iterations reviewed aiming to minimize impacts to existing elements within the right-of way (i.e. trees, hydro poles, driveways, retaining walls, private landscaping, fences etc.)
- Design options included:
 - Sidewalks on one or both sides with various widths;
 - Sidewalks behind existing curbs or within existing road width;
 - In road median with tree plantings;
 - On street and off street bikeways including bike lanes and multi-use trails;
 - Chicanes and bump outs; and
 - Green infrastructure opportunities.
- After reviewing a multitude of designs, three preferred options were developed.



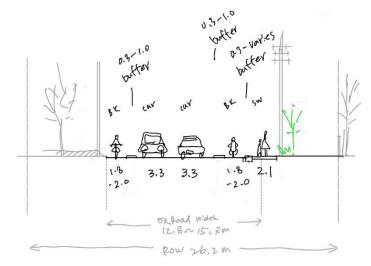
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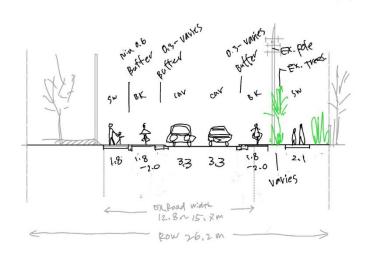


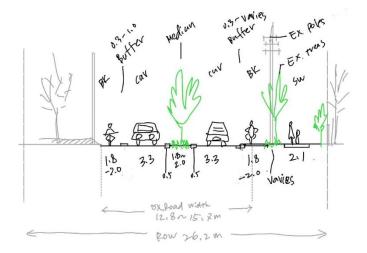
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Conceptual Design Options









Option 1: Bike lanes on both side of the street and a sidewalk on the east side.

Option 2: Bike lanes on both sides of the street and sidewalks on both side of the street.

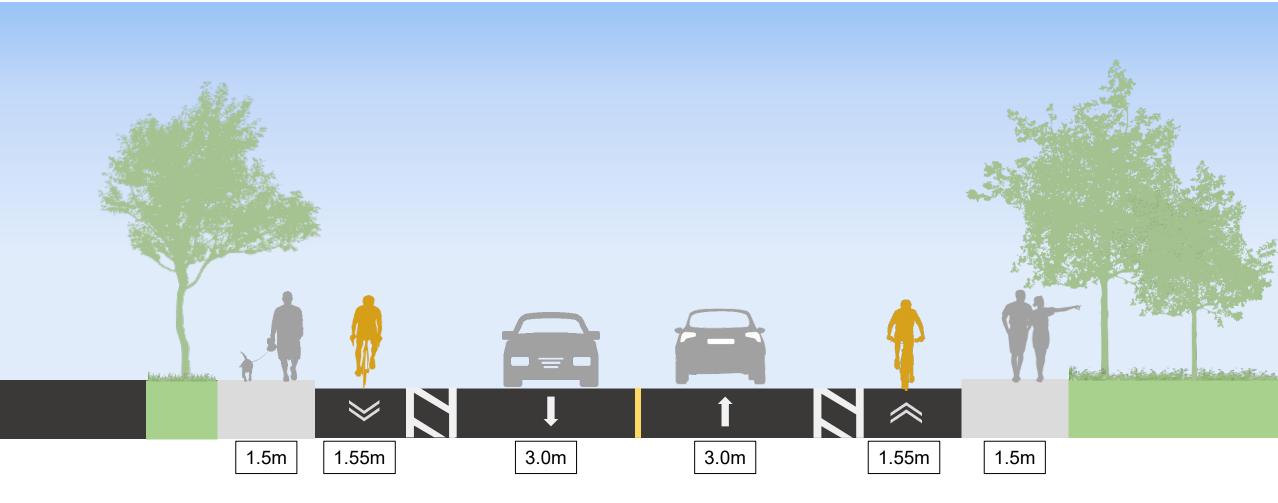
Option 3: An in-road median with bike lanes on both sides of the street and a sidewalk on the west side.



Preferred Design | Option 2



Galloway Road from Dearham Road to Guildwood Parkway





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- Addition of on-street bike lanes with buffer on both east and west side of Galloway Road;
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Recommendation and Next Steps

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- Discuss project specific details and concerns with community groups and affected area residents and revise design where feasible.
- Report to City of Toronto's Infrastructure and Environment Committee and to City Council for 2025 project delivery.
- If approved, construction is planned for summer/fall of 2025.
- Confirm feasibility of extending proposed design on Galloway Road north of Deerham Wood and bundle delivery with future road work.

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